



First Sunday of Advent

28 November 2021

Dates for Calendar

Sunday 5th December - Healing and Hope and service 5pm.

Sunday 19th December - Normal morning services 8am and 10am and
Carol Service at 5pm.

Friday 24th December - Christmas Eve Children & Families Service 5pm,
Christmas Midnight Service 11pm.

Saturday 25th December - Christmas Day 9:30am (one service only).

Sunday 26th December - Christmas 1 9:30am (one service only).

Sunday 2nd January - 9.30am (one service only).

Sunday 9th January - 9.30 am (one service only).

Sunday 16th January - 8.00 am and 10.00 am

Sunday 23rd January - 8.00 am and 10.00 am

Sunday 30th January - 8.00 am and 10.00 am

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet, the people of the Kulin nation, and pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

This parish is committed to Child Safety and complies with Diocesan and State requirements.
This is a shared responsibility of staff and parish. Please see the back of pew leaflet for contact details.

ANNUAL MEETING



TODAY - November 28, 11am in person and via Zoom

After the service at 9.30am, you'll be given a short time to go and make yourself a "cuppa" before the Annual meeting begins.

The Annual Meeting will be held both in person and on zoom and when it comes to voting those who are on zoom will be asked to hold up their hands and remain so until told to put them down in order for a count to take place.

Joan West
Parish Council Secretary



The 2021 Toy Appeal will operate this year from September to December in line with Victoria's current social distancing regulations.

To give to this valuable cause, you can donate:

1. online at www.anglicarevic.org.au/-toy-appeal either making a financial donation or selecting a gift on the Simply Giving Page.
2. by calling: Anglicare direct on 1800 809 722
3. by mail: PO Box 45, Abbotsford VIC 3067

Reminder Mothers Union

Our Garden Show via ZOOM is tomorrow Monday Nov 22nd at 2pm. Joan West will send out a **Zoom link to members. If you are not a member of Mothers' Union you are welcome to contact Joan to be included.** Please provide your own afternoon tea to enjoy during the Garden Show.



Mothers' Union. is supporting a Prayer Shawl Ministry in the Parish, which is being co-ordinated by Annemarie Davies, who has participated in this ministry for some time. A shawl, knitted by Annemarie, has recently been delivered to a MU member who is now in care. She was delighted at this gift of love and prayer. If you would like to participate in this important ministry, please contact Annemarie or another member of MU. If you cannot knit or crochet you might like to give a donation towards the cost of wool. If you know someone who may benefit from the pray embedded in a prayer shawl, please give their name and contact details to Ven Dianne.

ADVENT QUIET DAY

Time out to journey towards the Manger



Saturday 4th December

10.00 am - 3.00 pm

Led by Val Dyke Th.A, Dip.Past.Min., B.Theol, Spiritual Director & Retreat Conductor

At St Stephen and St Mary Anglican Church, 383 High Street Rd Mt Waverley 3149

Morning/Afternoon Tea provided *BYO Lunch*

BOOKINGS REQUIRED for the Quiet Day please see the noticeboard.

ENQUIRIES to Val Dyke

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Hope for families in Indonesia

Central Sulawesi was hard hit by a huge earthquake and tsunami in 2018. Since then, farms which families rely on for food have been affected by floods, drought and the COVID-19 pandemic. Women are learning to make organic fertiliser and pesticides to help them grow their own food to feed their families. This Christmas Bowl, you are helping communities adapt to climate change and withstand financial hardship when disasters strike. **Please give today.**



CALL: 1800 025 101 VISIT: actforpeace.org.au/christmasbowl

The Christmas appeal of Act for Peace, the international aid agency of the National Council of Churches in Australia. ABN 86 619 970 188



WHAT IS YOUR FESTIVE FOOTPRINT?

Experts report up to a 50% increase in household waste during the Festive Season.

Be mindful of the environment and think about how you are going to dispose of waste and packaging when choosing and buying food, gifts, toys and household items.

Food

Think about how many people you are expecting to feed. Create a food plan that includes what you can do with leftovers.



Gifts

Opt for eco-friendly gifts where possible. Use wrapping that has already served a purpose like gift bags, boxes, pillowcases, and recovered wrapping paper. Food gifts could be wrapped in a tea towel. Avoid using sticky tape, glitter and foil sheets.



Waste

Avoid excess packaging and recycle what you can. Think about re-gifting unwanted items or donating them to charity.



Please consider your 'Festive Footprint' this Christmas and help to keep our Planet in good shape



Waverley Helpmates is a Disability Service and Support Organisation in Ashwood. For many years, they have mown our lawns and tidied up around the property. This is their fundraiser which we have always supported.



WAVERLEY HELPMATES INC

12-14 Mavron St, Ashwood - 9807 1155

FUNDRAISER

Christmas Tree Order Form 2021



Tree Size

☐ 5' tree at \$70 each

☐ 7' tree at \$80 each

Date

☐ Friday 3rd December

☐ Friday 10th December

Pickup or Delivery

☐ Pick up from Ashwood Office between
10 am - 3 pm

☐ Delivery, *please have a bucket of water
ready.*

☐ \$10 in Ashwood

☐ \$25 or more \$____ further from Ashwood

Payment

☐ Cash

☐ Cheque

☐ Bank Transfer

BSB: 313140

A/C: 00403769

Ref: "Your surname" tree

Total

\$ _____

Name: _____

Delivery Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Comment: _____

THE SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP INVITE YOU TO OUR



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CHRISTMAS STALL

SUNDAY 12 DECEMBER 2021
AFTER EACH OF THE SERVICES

ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST STEPHEN AND ST MARY
MOUNT WAVERLEY

Dates to put in your diary ...

Sunday First Sunday of Advent

- November 28, 2021

9.30 am Confirmation Service
with Paul Barker

Monday 29

1.30 - 4.00 pm MU

4.00 - 8.45 pm Karen Margaret Dance

Tuesday 30

10.00 am Morning Prayer (zoom)

Wednesday 1

10.30 am mainly music

6.30 - 9.15 pm Ballet (Parish Centre)

6.30 - 9.30 pm Kiwanis (Old Church)

Thursday 2

10.00 am Holy Communion

Friday 3

9.00 am - 1.00 pm Working Bee

Saturday 4

9.00 am - 2.00 pm TCCV (Main Church)

3.00—10.00pm Chinese Church

Sunday 5 Advent 2

9.30 am Joint Service

11.00 am Annual Meeting

3.00 - 8.00 pm TCCV

The Thursday Evening Meditation Group

We continue to meet on Zoom on the second and fourth Thursday evenings of the month at 7.30pm. Unfortunately we are unable to meet on Thursday, November 25 so our next session will be on Thursday, December 9 at 7.30pm, which will be our final session for this year. Zoom links are emailed to members prior to the sessions or enquiries can be directed to Michael Mosley

Next Sunday Second Sunday of Advent

- November 28, 2021

8.00 am

Server Joanne Burns

Welcomers Celia Gant

Reader Janice Miller

Malachi 3: 1 - 4

Gospel Luke 3: 1 - 6 (Clergy)

10.00 am

Welcomers Nima Flora

Natalie Stroud

Readers Lyn Ryan

Malachi 3: 1 - 4

Gospel Luke 3: 1 - 6 (Clergy)

Intercessor Graeme Dellora

Morning Tea Jenny and Howard Brown

The Mount Waverley
Chadstone Inter
Church Council



is holding a STREET STALL outside Westpac Mt Waverley on Saturday 11th December from 10.00am to 2.00pm to support the Act for Peace Christmas Bowl Appeal.

They need goods for the stall - cakes, biscuits, slices, muffins, Christmas treats as well as jams and preserves. They also need helpers on the day. If you can offer help please contact

Marg Taylor

Doug Hastings

Tamil Christian Church services

2nd and 4th Sunday from 3pm

Joyriver Chinese Church

Saturdays from 3pm

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Office hours: Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 9.30am - 2.30pm

Email: parishoffice@stephenandmary.org.au Website: www.stephenandmary.org.au

'Like' us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/stephenandmary.mtwaverley

Priest

(Day off - Monday)

The Venerable Dianne Sharrock

Assistant Curate

(Tues, Thurs, Fri)

The Revd Greg Wong

Children's and Families' Minister

(Tues 10.00 am - 3.00 pm, Wed 9.30 am - 2.30 pm, Sun 10.30 am - 12.30 pm)

Lisa Eames

Child Safety Compliance Officer

Elaine Fasken

Covid19 Compliance Officer

Sugan Blanchard

Music Director

Brian Copple

Treasurer

Helen Warren

Office Manager

Katherine Rushby

Churchwardens:

Graeme Dellora

John Foster

Sue Retschko

Parish Council:

Sugan Blanchard, David Bruce, Margaret Crawford, Rowena Ferguson, Judith Gibson, Jennifer Gracie, Nathan Kelly, Sherredan Maher, Helen Warren, Joan West

Pastoral Care Ministry:

Hospital Visiting:

Clergy

Funeral Ministry:

The Vicar

Contemporary Eucharist Contact:

Rowena Ferguson

Spiritual Directors: Cath Connelly
Val Dyke

Prayer Chain contact Margaret Syfret

**SERVICES: Sunday 8.00 & 10.00 am
Thursday 10.00 am**